

AN ORDINANCE BY

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AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 10-11 TO CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE I AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SECTION 10-109 SO AS TO PROHIBIT PATRONS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE FROM ENTERING NIGHTCLUBS AND BARS DURING REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION; TO PROHIBIT OPERATORS OF NIGHTCLUBS AND BARS FROM PERMITTING THE ENTRANCE OF PATRONS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE DURING REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has an interest in maintaining the public safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is concerned that those under the age of 21 are drinking alcohol in nightclubs and bars in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta believes the efforts of alcohol licensed establishments thus far have not been adequate or consistent enough to address this problem.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

That the Code of Ordinances be amended to add a new Section 10-11 to Chapter 10, Article I, which states:

**Section 10-11 Entry by Persons into Night clubs and Bars under 21 years of Age.**

Except as otherwise authorized by law, no person under 21 years of age shall enter a nightclub or bar during the regular hours of operation unless the person under 21 is:

- (1) Dispensing, serving, selling or handling alcoholic beverages as a part of employment in any licensed establishments;
- (2) Being employed in any establishment in which alcoholic beverages are distilled or manufactured; or
- (3) Taking orders for and having possession of alcoholic beverages as a part of employment in a licensed establishment

**SECTION 2.**

That Chapter 10, Article II, Division 2, Section 10-109(a)(2) be amended by deleting the Section and adding a new Subsection stating the following:

- (2) The selling to or serving of any person below the age of 21 years; for nightclubs and bars, permitting the entrance of patrons under 21 years of age.

### **SECTION 3.**

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.